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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Mt. Shasta – Man Climbs Moving Amtrak Train and Tries to Stop It

(U) A shirtless Northern California man was under the influence and “exhibiting hostility” when he climbed on a moving train Monday, putting passengers and workers in jeopardy, according to law enforcement. Amtrak train operators radioed emergency responders around 1 a.m. after the man boarded a back-up engine as the train traveled near Cantara Loop, according to the Siskiyou County Sheriff’s Office. The man, identified by deputies as Dylan Thomas Baldini, of nearby McCloud, tried to control the train himself and managed to blow the whistle “on numerous occasions.”

SOURCE: 4 February 2019, [Sacramento Bee](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Arizona – Sex Offender, MS-13 Gang Member Arrested By Border Patrol Agents

(U) Tucson – Border Patrol agents arrested a sex offender from Guatemala and an admitted MS-13 gang member from Honduras in separate incidents in southern Arizona over the weekend. Agents arrested 39-year-old Mariano Sic-Cua, a citizen of Guatemala, after he entered the US illegally through the desert. While Sic-Cua was being processed, agents discovered that he had a felony conviction in 2010 for sexual assault in Palm Beach, Florida, which resulted in 308 days in confinement. Agents patrolling near Cowlic on the Tohono O'odham Nation Reservation also arrested Christopher Aquino-Canaca, of Honduras. Aquino, who is an "admitted MS-13 gang member," was arrested with a group of six others who crossed illegally. Aquino has previously been removed from the US on two occasions, immigration officials said.

SOURCE: 4 February 2019, [abc15](#)

(U) California – Homicide Suspect from 2016 Arrested at US-Mexico Border

(U) San Diego – A suspect in a 2016 homicide was captured at the border, Juan Antonio Prado was wanted for the 2016 homicide of Antonio Hernandez who was shot multiple times in Stockton. Detectives determined that Prado had escaped to Mexico shortly after the shooting. Officials said Prado remained in Mexico until Saturday when he attempted to re-enter the US and was taken into custody at the border on the homicide warrant. Prado was booked into the San Diego County Jail and is awaiting extradition back to San Joaquin County to face homicide charges.

SOURCE: 4 February 2019, [Sacramento Bee](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Texas – Border Patrol Agent Killed while on Duty

(U) Del Rio – A US Customs and Border Protection agent died while working in Texas. Agent Donna Doss was helping state police near Interstate 20 in Abilene just before 9 p.m., according to a CBP press release. While she assisted in the police work, Doss was "struck and killed by a passing vehicle" and died at the scene. Doss served the agency for more than 15 years, after beginning duty in November 2003.

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UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**(U) INTERNATIONAL****(U) France – Intercepted Communications Tie Iranian Diplomat to Alleged Paris Terror Plot**

(U) Paris – European security officials have intercepted communications that suggest an Iranian diplomat was not only involved in an alleged plot last year to bomb a meeting of Tehran opponents outside Paris, but coordinated efforts with colleagues back in Iran, a well-placed western official told The Independent. The communications between Iranian diplomat Asadollah Asadi and counterparts in Iran were described as text messages, or chats, that have been collected by European intelligence services. SOURCE: 4 February 2019, [The Independent](#)

(U) Ireland – Police Seize Firearms, Explosive near Border with Northern Ireland

(U) Omeath – Irish police seized a substantial quantity of firearms and a suspected explosive device near the border with Northern Ireland as part of an investigation into the activities of militant Irish nationalist groups there. The searches took place near the County Louth village of Omeath, which lies on a small peninsula separating part of the border between European Union-member Ireland and the British province of Northern Ireland.

SOURCE: 4 February 2019, [Reuters](#)

(U) Philippines – Five Church Bombing Suspects in Custody

(U) Jolo – Five suspected Abu Sayyaf militants accused of involvement in a deadly suicide attack at a Roman Catholic Cathedral in the southern Philippines have surrendered to authorities, the national police chief said Monday, amid renewed terrorism fears. Complaints for murder and attempted murder were filed against the five, as well as several other suspected Abu Sayyaf fighters who remain at large, for their alleged role in the 27 January attack at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cathedral in Sulu province's Jolo town which killed 23 people and wounded nearly 100 others.

SOURCE: 4 February 2019, [Washington Post](#)

(U) Somalia – DP World Port Manager Killed in Somalia's Puntland State

(U) Puntland – A Maltese port manager has been shot dead in Somalia's northern semi-autonomous Puntland state, according to officials. Paul Anthony Formosa, who was the construction project manager for DP World, was killed near Bossasso port. Islamist militant group al-Shabab has said it carried out the attack. Puntland, an arid region of north-east Somalia, declared itself an autonomous state in 1998, in part to avoid the clan warfare in southern Somalia. The state is a destination for many Somalis displaced by violence in the south. Mr. Formosa was manager for P&O Ports, a subsidiary of the Dubai-based DP World, one of the world's largest port operators.

SOURCE: 4 February 2019, [BBC News](#)

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